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In re Application of:)
Hal Hjalmar Ottesen, et al.)
Application No.: 09/035,624)
Filed: March 5, 1998)
For: MULTIMEDIA DIRECT ACCESS)
STORAGE DEVICE AND)
FORMATTING METHOD)

**DECISION ON REQUEST TO
WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEY**

This is a decision on the Request for Withdrawal as Attorney, filed March 5, 1999, and Corrected Request for Withdrawal As Attorney filed March 12, 1999. The request filed March 5, 1999, is viewed as moot in view of the Corrected Request filed March 12, 1999.

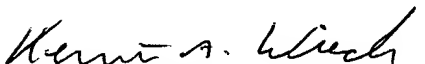
A grantable request to withdraw as attorney of record should indicate thereon the present mailing addresses of the attorney(s) who is/are withdrawing from the record and of the applicant. The request for withdrawal must be signed by every attorney seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. A request to withdraw will not be approved unless at least 30 (thirty) days would remain between the date of approval and the later of the expiration date of a time to file a response or the expiration date of the maximum time period which can be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). The effective date of withdrawal being the date of decision and not the date of request. See M.P.E.P. § 402.06. 37 C.F.R. § 1.36 further requires that the applicant or patent owner be notified of the withdrawal of the attorney or agent.

The request is **GRANTED** in part, with respect to all attorneys/agents listed on the duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney Filed March 5, 1998, and all attorneys/agents listed on "Attachment A" filed with the present petition who are also listed on the duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney filed March 5, 1998

The request is **DISMISSED AS MOOT** with respect to those attorneys listed on "Attachment A" submitted with the instant petition who were not also listed on the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed March 5, 1998, because they have not previously been given power of

attorney in the instant application and therefor cannot be withdrawn.

All future communications from the Office will be directed to the below-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant. This correspondence address is provided by the withdrawn attorney(s). Applicant is reminded of the obligation to promptly notify the Patent and Trademark Office (Office) of any change in correspondence address to ensure receipt of all communications from the Office.


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